

IN THE HIGH COURT OF KERALA AT ERNAKULAM

PRESENT :

THE HONOURABLE MR. JUSTICE V.GIRI

MONDAY, THE 10TH DECEMBER 2007 / 19TH AGRAHAYANA 1929

WP(C).No. 36435 of 2007(K)

PETITIONER:

1. JOHNSON E.J., FIELD OFFICER,
KERALA FOREST DEVELOPMENT CORPN. LTD.,
MUNNAR DIVISION, OFFICE OF THE MANAGER, SILENT
VALLEY UNIT, KERALA FOREST DEVELOPMENT CORPN.LTD.,
MUNNAR, ADIMALY VIA, IDUKKI DISTRICT.
2. PRASANAN R., FIELD OFFICER,
KERALA FOREST DEVELOPMENT CORPN LTD.,SUB UNIT III,
KOTTUR, THIRUVANANTHAPURAM DIVISION,
KERALA FOREST DEVELOPMENT CORPN. LTD.,
THIRUVANANTHAPURAM.
3. SURESH A.V.,
FIELD OFFICER, KERALA FOREST DEVELOPMENT CORPN.
LTD., SUB UNIT I, PUNNALA, PUNALUR DIVISION,
KERALA FOREST DEVELOPMENT CORPN. LTD., PUNALUR,
KOLLAM DISTRICT.
4. P.K.RADHAKRISHNAN,
FIELD OFFICER, KERALA FOREST DEVELOPMENT CORPN.
LTD., SUB UNIT I, KERALA FOREST DEVELOPMENT CORPN.
LTD., ARIPPA, THIRUVANANTHAPURAM DIVISION.

BY ADV. SRI.BABU JOSEPH KURUVATHAZHA
SRI.K.I.SAGEER

RESPONDENTS:

1. STATE OF KERALA, REPRESENTED BY
ITS SECRETARY TO GOVERNMENT, DEPT. OF FOREST
& WILD LIFE, GOVT. SECRETARIAT,
THIRUVANANTHAPURAM.
2. KERALA FOREST DEVELOPMENT CORPORATION
LIMITED, ARANYAKAM, KARAPUZHA, KOTTAYAM,
REP. BY ITS MANAGING DIRECTOR.

BY GOVT.PLEADER SRI.BIJOY CHANDRAN

THIS WRIT PETITION (CIVIL) HAVING COME UP FOR ADMISSION
ON 10/12/2007, THE COURT ON THE SAME DAY DELIVERED THE
FOLLOWING:

V.GIRI, J.

W.P.(C)NO.36435/2007

JUDGMENT

Dated this the 10th day of December 2007

The petitioners, who are working as Field Officers in the Kerala Forest Development Corporation, are essentially aggrieved by a provision in the special rules introduced as per Ext.P2, inter alia governing promotions to the post of Assistant Manager. According to the petitioners, under the special rules, there is a requirement of a test qualification to be considered eligible for promotion to the post of Assistant Manager. Petitioners contend that this requirement was introduced only after their entry into service. Therefore they have sought for intervention of the government for a suitable proviso to be incorporated in the special rules. The claim made by the petitioners, in this regard, under Ext.P5 may be considered by the Government.

After hearing the learned Government Pleader also, the writ petition is disposed of directing the first respondent to look into Ext.P5, and take a decision within a period of two months from the date of receipt of a copy of this judgment.

V.GIRI, JUDGE

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